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Washington, DC 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Application - Rudolf Supe-Dienes

BLADE HOLDER WITH CUTTING FORCE ADJUSTMENT INDEPENDENT OF STROKE

Sir:

- Please find enclosed herewith for filing: the German specification, claims and drawings in support of the above identified application.
- It is respectfully requested that this application be granted the priority date of 17 February 1998, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 198 06 444.6. A certified copy of said German patent application will be filed at a later date.

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